

Honolulu, Hawaii
February 14, 2014

RE: H.B. No. 2354
H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
Regular Session of 2014
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Economic Development & Business, to which
was referred H.B. No. 2354 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to foster a film production
industry in Hawaii by:

- (1) Establishing a creative film and media park to be
administered by the Board of Directors of the High
Technology Development Corporation;
- (2) Designating specific properties in West Oahu to be
included in the park; and
- (3) Including the development of the park as part of the
duties of the High Technology Development Corporation.

The University of Hawaii at West Oahu and a concerned
individual testified in support of this bill. The Department of
Business, Economic Development, and Tourism and a concerned
individual supported the intent of this measure. The Hawaii
Housing Finance and Development Corporation and High Technology
Development Corporation provided comments.

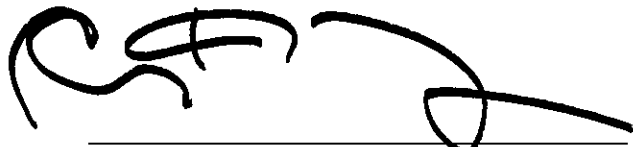


Hawaii is blessed with a vibrant and growing entertainment economy. While the motion picture, television, and digital media industry has had a positive impact on the economy of Hawaii through job creation, increased tax revenues, and providing Hawaii's visitor industry with priceless marketing exposure on a global scale throughout the year, the lack of sufficient infrastructure in the State has hindered the growth of this industry. The creation of a film and media park would attract both national and international investments in film and media production, further strengthening and diversifying Hawaii's economy.

However, your Committee notes that, according to the University of Hawaii at West Oahu, the specific parcels of land cited in this measure are incorrect. Accordingly, your Committee has amended this bill by deleting references to specific tax map key designations delineating where the film and media park is to be established.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Economic Development & Business that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2354, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2354, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Economic
Development & Business,



CLIFT TSUJI, Chair



State of Hawaii
House of Representatives
The Twenty-seventh Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Economic Development & Business

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 2354	Committee Referral: EDB, FIN	Date: 2/11/14		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
EDB Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. TSUJI, Clift (C)	/			
2. WARD, Gene (VC)	/			
3. AWANA, Karen	/			
4. BROWER, Tom	/			
5. CACHOLA, Romy M.				/
6. ITO, Ken	/			
7. CHOY, Isaac W.	/			
8. OHNO, Takashi	/			
9. ONISHI, Richard H.K.	/			
10. TOKIOKA, James Kunane	/			
11. WOOLEY, Jessica		/		
TOTAL (11)	9	1		1
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral _____ committee acronym(s) _____ did not support recommendation.				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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